

# ***Child and Family Behavioral Health Policy and Planning Committee (330-F)***

## ***Meeting Minutes***

October 12, 2006

### **I. Call to order**

Vicki Hardy-Murrell called to order the regular meeting of the Child and Family Behavioral Health Policy and Planning Committee (330 F) at 10 a.m. on October 12, 2006 at the Henrico CSB.

### **II. Present**

The following persons were present: Vicki Hardy-Murrell, Martha Kurgan, Barbara Shue, Ann Rollins, Mary Ann Discenza, Ashanti Michael, Leah Hamaker, Mary Dunne Stewart, Don Roe, Pat Cullen, Christine Hawkins, Wayne Barry, Pam Fisher, Patrick Haley, Mary Cole, Sandy Bryant, Karen Purcell, JoAnn Smith and Stella Stith

### **III. Approval of minutes from previous meeting**

Pam Fisher motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting and Don Roe second the motion.

### **IV. Open issues**

- a) Mary Dunn Stewart, Vicki Hardy-Murrell and Brian Meyer will meet with Sec. Tavennar on October 19, 2006 at 4 p.m. to get our agenda into the Governor's budget.
- b) Brian Meyer, Vicki Hardy-Murrell and Shirley Ricks met with Frank Tetrick and it was a very successful meeting
- c) Pam Fisher and Vicki Hardy-Murrell will be conducting System of Care round table meetings around the state begin in November.
- d) Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services is preparing the 2007 budget for the Office of Child and Family Services. Mary Ann Discenza could not give out all the details but said that the budget had a comprehensive list across board.
- e) Commission on Mental Health Law Reform will be having a meeting in Williamsburg on October 14, 2006 to look at the goals to facility access to Mental Health services and improve the quality.
- f) MH-DJJ Projects -1266 assessments done on youth in the DJJ centers. Goals to get the mental health services in all the centers we currently have 14 out of the 24 centers.
- g) MH-System of Care Initiative - Implemented two additional start up in CSBs. In the start up they are having problems finding providers and coordinating referrals.

- h) Need to educate the Legislative on the monies that is going toward children's Mental Health.
- i) Sen. Martin recommended that we should have Department of Mental Health and the Department of Education do a joint proposal. Have them speaking on the same topics. This will build more power behind the issues.
- j) HJR 96- Autism Committee Meeting came up with the resolution of Department of Education and Department of Mental Health will conduct trainings to assist in the preparation of personnel teachers and MH providers. The training will have core classes to deal with children with autism from birth to 23. DOE has taken the initiatives to increase the skill set of special Ed teachers and people working with children. Resolution can begin to identify the training needs and don't want to reinvent things.
- k) Disability Commission search for a home for autism will have a meeting on next Tuesday at 2 p.m. public hearing house bill 67 and a report offer with it. Introduce by Plum and the bill will require private insurance to pay for rehabilitative services from age 3 to 21 and the hearing will report the J. Lark studies. Autism is a part of this bill, and families will be there to talk about the high cost of getting services and out of pocket expensive. The family members want insurance companies to cover these expensive.

**V. New business**

- a) October 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> Conference on Parenting High Risk Children – 1<sup>st</sup> Lady will be the luncheon speaker on October 26, 2006 at VCU.
- b) Connie Klein will conduct EBP training on Children with Co-occurring disorders.
- c) Decide to eliminate the endorsement letter, because this is more like a petition list. Decided that personalize letters would be more effective.

**VI. Agenda For Next Meeting**

- a) Executive committee; Don Roe, Brian Meyer, Vicki Hardy-Murrell, Shirley Ricks, Mary Ann Discenza, Kim McGaughey, Sandy Bryant and Betty Etzler; will meet to create a strategy plan to get our information to the decision makers and to the money committees.
- b) Executive committee will meet via teleconference to create the final version of the fact sheet and letter.
- c) Betty Etzler will create a book mark out of the fact information, to see if this would be better to distribute then the fact sheet.
- d) Betty Etzler will do a presentation on Day Treatment on January 11, 2007. She will have the data for this meeting in December.
- e) Mary Dune Stewart and Vicki Hardy-Murrell will talk about contacts and advocates.

**VII. Adjournment**

Vicki Hardy adjourned the meeting.